

**Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
Expedited Procedure – Art Unit 3643**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re application of:<br>HE-DECKE <i>et al.</i><br>Appl. No.: 10/581,114<br>Filed: August 25, 2008<br>For: <b>METHOD AND DEVICE FOR<br/>TREATING TREES</b> | Confirmation No.: 5283<br>Art Unit: 3643<br>Examiner: NGUYEN, Son T.<br>Atty. Docket: 2400.0440000/JMC/AFK |
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**Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated June 28, 2011, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks and Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.